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Bland Fails to Secure a Two-Thirds Vote on Seigniorage.

SENATE LIKE A GROPING MOLE

Warm Speeches Made on the Tariff Bill by Mr. Allison and Mr. Mills. The Member from Texas Declares the Republican Bills Un-American and Unjust—The Action of the House in Refusing to Pass the Silver Bill Has Occasioned Some Surprise—Mr. Quay Reads Before the Senate.

The house by a vote of 144 yeas to 115 nays, not the necessary two-thirds, has refused to pass the seigniorage bill over the president's veto.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The memorial of the board of trade of Philadelphia asking for adequate duties on sugar and attempted to have it read, but Mr. Harris, Tennessee, objected, and when Mr. Harris moved to read it himself further objection was made by Mr. Harris under the rules, and a somewhat lively discussion ensued which was ended by the vice-president sustaining the point of order. The resolution offered by Mr. Puffer (Kan.) instructing the finance committee to report a bill to repeal all laws authorizing the issue of bonds or interest-bearing securities of the United States without express authority by act of congress, was taken up and a speech in support of it was made by Mr. Peffer. He was speaking at 2 o'clock, when the resolution went over without action till tomorrow, and the tariff bill was laid before the senate.

Mr. Allison, Iowa, continued the speech begun yesterday against the bill. He criticized the action of the finance committee in departing from the principle of ad valorem duties on the matter of iron and steel, coal, iron ore and sugar and intimated that discrimination was made for the purpose of obtaining the support of the influences which surround the production of those products in the United States.

SENATE COMPARED TO A MOLE.

The bill as it came from the house was estimated to produce a revenue of \$124,000,000, as it came from the finance committee the estimated revenue was \$102,000,000. The product of the duty on sugar was estimated at \$42,000,000, and if that were struck from the finance committee bill, the revenue under it would be \$3,000,000 less than under the house bill. He complained that the senate were not detailed statement reported by the finance committee as to the increase or reduction of importations that would follow the passage of the bill, and compared the condition of the senate to that of a blind mole winding its way under ground. The senate did not know how the revenue would come out at the end of the fiscal year, although the expenditure would amount to \$451,000,000.

Mr. Mills, Texas, replied to Mr. Allison's argument and contended that the specific system of duties so extolled by the senator from Iowa was a tax levied on articles by quantities, disregarding value, and was an un-American, un-democratic and unjust system, while the ad valorem system was a tax levied on articles according to their value, and was a fair and just system.

HOUSE REFUSES TO PASS SEIGNIORAGE.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Very much to the surprise of almost every one the house today disposed of the Bland seigniorage bill, refusing to pass it over the president's veto. The vote being yeas 144, nays 114, not the two-thirds required by the constitution. The bill came up after the house had voted to seat Warren D. English (Dem.), as representative from the Third district of California in place of Samuel G. Hilborn (Rep.).

Mr. Bland had been willing to give way with his seigniorage bill to the bill passed by the senate yesterday to enforce and make effective the seal recommendations by the Paris tribunal of arbitration, but a demand was made by Mr. Payne, New York, for the regular order.

This cleared the way for the Bland bill, and its author called up the president's veto message. He gave notice that he would ask the previous question on the motion to pass the bill over the veto at 3 p. m. Saturday, but in the confusion which prevailed while the matter of an agreement upon closing debate was being discussed, no attention was paid to the speaker and the roll call had begun.

He then declared it to be too late to entertain debate against the president's veto. Both factions regarded this as an indication that conditions are more pacific than they have been at any previous time since the excitement began.

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ALL BRIGHT AT BETHLEHEM.

Work Resumed at the Iron Mills—Three Thousand Men Employed.

BETHLEHEM, April 4.—The puddle mill of the Bethlehem Iron company resumed work today, with seven of the eight furnaces in blast. Three hundred men were given employment. The entire large plant of this company is now in operation. Nearly 3,000 men are at work.

Secretary of the Navy Herbert spent the greater part of the day in inspecting government work for new navy vessels under way in the ordnance department at the Bethlehem Iron company. He witnessed the forging of a barbed iron of armor for the Iowa, Brooklyn and Massachusetts and saw the 125

ton hammer forge a diagonal plate for the Iowa. Commodore Sampson accompanied him. They expressed themselves as very well pleased with the work.

MEUNIER UNDER ARREST.

The Notorious French Anarchist Caught at Liverpool.

LONDON, April 4.—The notorious anarchist, Meunier, the accomplice of Francois and the avenger of Ravachol, was arrested this evening by Inspector Melville at the Liverpool street station. The police of three countries have been tracing his movements ever since the explosion at the Cafe Vere in Paris almost two years ago.

The charge on which he was arrested this evening was that in causing this explosion he became guilty of murdering the proprietor, who died of his injuries a few days after the case was blown up. The motive of Meunier and his accomplices in exploding the bomb was to punish the men who had betrayed Ravachol to the police and secured his arrest in the cafe.

BATTLE TO GRIM DEATH.

Desperate Fighting Between Indians, Cowboys and Settlers in Oklahoma.

EL RENO, Okla., April 4.—A battle with Winchester occurred Sunday between the Indians and white men who went on the open reservation. It was the climax to the old feud which has existed for some time. The battle was between the Indians of Whirlwind's band of Cheyennes and the whites who hold possession of the vacant lands on the old Cheyenne reservation. The cattlemen have persisted in putting their cattle to graze on the Indian allotments which have never been fenced or otherwise shut off from the common.

The Indians would not have objected to the occupation of the land if the white men paid them the tribute which was demanded. When the Indians did not get their money, they stole the cattle, which they considered belonged to them. Getting hold of and lose honest the Cheyennes every shot they fired they could lay their hands on.

A party of cowboys caught the Indians in the act last Sunday and fired on them. A battle ensued which lasted far into the night. The Indians who were camped in the locality came to the assistance of their friends, and the battle continued until the morning. In this section there are about 4,000 men at work under the protection of armed deputies, and it forms the wedge between the extreme southern and northern ends of the coke field. If the strikers do not succeed in driving the men from these places, the movement will be lost.

ALL SOUTH PLANTS ARE CLOSED.

About 300 men from the works north of here marched to the Leith and Brownfield works of the Frick company, and to the Fairbairn works of the Fairbairn Furnace company. Very little resistance was offered and now all the plants south of Connellsville are shut down.

The workmen at the Mount Bradlock works of the W. J. Rainey company were driven from the yards today by rioters, and the plant is now shut down, as are all the plants of the Rainey company. A delegation of rioters also visited the Wheeler and Morrell works of the McClure company and compelled the men working to lay down their tools and vacate the grounds.

CALLED THEM BUZZARDS.

Judge Bradley's Opinion of the Pollard Breckinridge Spectators.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Col. Breckinridge ended his testimony today after having been on the stand almost continuously since Thursday. Then Major Buttrick took up the direct examination, which elicited nothing new, but just before the court adjourned at 2:45 Judge Bradley took occasion to animadvert in severe terms on the morbid curiosity which packed the court every day with spectators. "Like a crowd of buzzards over a putrid carcass," he said.

Tomorrow the defense may submit some additional testimony, but it is more likely that the rebuttal of the plaintiff's evidence will begin and there is every indication that all the evidence will be before the jury when the court adjourns over on Friday until Monday.

DEATH FROM YELLOW JACK.

Seaman on Coffee Barks Expires on Voyage from Rio.

BALTIMORE, April 4.—The dread yellow quarantine flag floats from the foremast head of the coffee bark, Josephine and Julia Rollins, anchored off the Hawkins Point quarantine, and passing craft are giving the vessels a wide berth.

The seaman arrived from Rio this morning. The seamen of the Josephine and two of the Julia Rollins were stricken down with yellow jack on the voyage, and in each case the disease was fatal. The unfortunate seamen were buried at sea almost as the breath had left their bodies.

TILLMAN ENJOYS A SHAVE.

The Governor of South Carolina Celebrates Peace in a Barber Shop.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 4.—Every thing is quite here today. Governor Tillman walked down the street this morning, went into a barber shop and was shaved. While on the street he was not jeered or otherwise insulted. Both factions regard this as an indication that conditions are more pacific than they have been at any previous time since the excitement began.

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CITIZENS WENT GUNNING.

Now They Are in the Hands of the Mill.

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FIRST BATTLE IN COKE LAND

An Army of Rioting Foreigners Repulsed by Deputy Sheriffs.

TWO MEN ARE FATALITY BEATEN

Numerous Special Officers are Sworn In Prepared to Fight in Earnest. Many Plants Forced to Close—Two Thousand Strikers March Upon the Works Between Mount Pleasant and Connellsville for the Purpose of Driving the Workmen Out—The Situation is Critical.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., April 4.—The war between the strikers and the workmen is now on in earnest, and a number of serious outbreaks are reported. The worst of these was a murderous assault on Andy Miller, a Lurgarian, near Trotter, shortly before midnight. He was attacked by fifty rioters, and being taken for a workman, was heavily beaten with clubs and stones. He was released only when thought to be dead. He will not live.

Trotter was the scene of the wildest disorder. Nearly 1,000 Hungarians having camped there for the night, they took possession of the company's grounds and carried on in a most disgraceful manner.

Miller was on his way from Moyer to Trotter. He is a striker from the southern end of the regions. The strikers took him for a workman, and without asking any questions assaulted him and beat him into insensibility with clubs and stones. Covered with blood and unconscious he was lying on the road. The members that camped at Trotter moved to New Haven, where they were joined by strikers from the southern end of the regions. Their number nearly 2,000 men, and all are armed with guns, iron bars, picks and shovels. This afternoon they started northward for the purpose of visiting all the works between Connellsville and Mount Pleasant where the strike has never been recognized. In this section there are about 4,000 men at work under the protection of armed deputies, and it forms the wedge between the extreme southern and northern ends of the coke field. If the strikers do not succeed in driving the men from these places, the movement will be lost.

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He regards the outlook with concern, but has not determined to call out the militia.

TWELFTH BODY FOUND.

Only One Victim's Remains are Now in the Gaylord Mine.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., April 4.—The body of Thomas Moran, the oldest miner in the Gaylord mine, was discovered at midnight. He was found face turned from the rescuers as if he had become confused and turned back when the fall came.

Only the body of Picton remains in the mine. Morgan leaves seven children.

DR. SPAYN SHOTS A NEGRO.

Accused of Complicity in Dispensary Troubles He Seeks Revenge.

DARLINGTON, S. C., April 4.—At the Cleveland house here today Dr. Spayn shot and killed a negro cook who had reported him as being one of those who were concerned in the dispensary transaction which caused the recent riot. Spayn was now arrested and taken to police headquarters.

SNAGS ARE ENCOUNTERED.

Pittsburg Police Are Hostile to Coxey's Army and Object to Parades.

PITTSBURG, April 4.—Fate in the guise of hostile police has overtaken Coxey's cohorts, and today the men are corralled in the camping ground at Exposition park. Chief Murphy of the Lexington, the restaurant near the town, was shot and killed tonight, the result of an explosion at Kollas' home. The whole rear end of the house was blown away and Kollas' body was found dismembered lying beneath the debris. The head of one of the children was almost severed from the body. Another was found near a shed two yards away, in a horribly mutilated condition.

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Senator Yglesias, secretary of state of Costa Rica, was yesterday elected president.

In a Boston lodging house blaze Rev. I. M. Babcock, a retired clergyman, was found suffocated in bed.

After a week's mystery the bullet-riddled body of Rev. N. Nolan, an evangelist, was found near Homer, Tenn.

Searchers in the mountains near Portland, Ore., failed to find J. L. Downing and J. L. Law, who are thought to be lost.

Melancholy drove Harry W. Hodson, a wealthy Oswego druggist, to seek himself on a train near White Plains, N. Y.

Ten years in prison confronts Mrs. Augusta Schmidt, of Kokomo, Ind., who killed Oscar Walton, a tenant, in a quarrel.

For his \$33,000 embezzlement from the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company, William E. Ziegler, of New York, was given four years in prison.

WEATHER FORECAST.

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The chief of the village recalled his men when he made the discovery that it was a French party he was attacking and humbly apologized for his act. He explained that he mistook the natives soldiers for a party of the warriors of a turbulent chief in the Bougie region, whom he had long intended to punish when he should catch him.

MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION.

Joseph Kollas and Family are Wiped Out of Existence in a Twinkling.

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